

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) An informing system for ~~informing a user~~providing information through a local area network having a plurality of devices, the informing system comprising:  
a communication device that communicates at least with the plurality of devices within the local area network;

a properties file producing device that produces a properties file showing settings related to at least one of the following; whether or not an informing job has priority over other informing jobs, whether the informing job will be performed automatically or manually, a range of the informing job, and which ~~communication apparatus~~of the plurality of devices on the local area network will perform the informing job, wherein when information is received at the communication device, a determination is made on how to provide the received information based on settings included in the properties file; and

an informing device that ~~informs the user~~provides the received information according to the determination made based on the settings in the properties file produced by the properties file producing device.

2. (Currently Amended) The informing system as defined in claim 1, wherein the informing device turns on ~~the communication apparatus~~at least one of the plurality of devices within the local area network if the properties file shows that the informing job has the priority over the other informing jobs.

3. (Original) The informing system as defined in claim 1, wherein the local area network is a home network in a home.

4. (Currently Amended) The informing system as defined in claim 3, wherein the informing device turns on the ~~communication apparatus~~at least one of the plurality of devices within the local area network if the properties file shows that the informing job has the priority over the other informing jobs.

5. (Currently Amended) An informing system for ~~informing a user~~providing information through a local area network having a plurality of devices, the informing system comprising:  
a communication device that communicates at least with the plurality of devices within the local area network;

a properties file producing device that produces a properties file showing settings related to at least one of the following; whether or not an informing job has priority over other informing jobs, whether the informing job will be performed automatically or manually, a range of the informing job, and which ~~communication apparatus~~of the plurality of devices on the local area network will perform the informing job, wherein when information is received at the communication device, a determination is made on how to provide the received information based on settings included in the properties file;

a server that stores the properties file produced by the properties file producing device;  
and

an informing device that ~~informs the user~~provides the received information according to the determination made based on the settings in the properties file stored in the server.

6. (Currently Amended) The informing system as defined in claim 5, wherein the informing device turns on ~~the communication apparatus~~at least one of the plurality of devices on the local area network if the properties file shows that the informing job has the priority over the other informing jobs.

7. (Original) The informing system as defined in claim 5, wherein the local area network is a home network in a home.

8. (Currently Amended) The informing system as defined in claim 7, wherein the informing device turns on at least one of the plurality of devices on the local area network ~~the communication apparatus~~ if the properties file shows that the informing job has the priority over the other informing jobs.

9. (Original) The informing system as defined in claim 5, wherein the server is one of a refrigerator and a telephone that can transmit and receive information through the local area network.

10. (Currently Amended) The informing system as defined in claim 9, wherein the informing device turns on at least one of the plurality of devices on the local area network ~~the communication apparatus~~ if the properties file shows that the informing job has the priority over the other informing jobs.

11. (Original) The informing system as defined in claim 9, wherein the local area network is a home network in a home.

12. (Currently Amended) The informing system as defined in claim 11, wherein the informing device turns on at least one of the plurality of devices on the local area network ~~the communication apparatus~~ if the properties file shows that the informing job has the priority over the other informing jobs.

13. (Currently Amended) An informing method for ~~informing a user~~ providing information through a local area network having a plurality of devices, the informing method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

producing a properties file showing settings related to at least one of the following; whether or not an informing job has priority over other informing jobs, whether the informing job will be performed automatically or manually, a range of the informing job, and which of the plurality of devices on the local area network ~~communication apparatus~~ will perform the informing job, wherein when information is received at the communication device, a determination is made on how to provide the received information based on settings included in the properties file; and

informing the user providing the information according to the determination made based on the settings in the properties file.

14. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein whether the informing job will be performed automatically or manually includes automatically transferring the information to a printing device for printing.

15. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein which of the plurality of devices on the local area network will perform the informing job further includes transferring the received information to one of the plurality of devices on the network based on the setting in the properties file.

16. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein whether or not an informing job has priority over other informing jobs further includes establishing a communication channel between a device storing the properties file and another of the plurality of devices on the local area network based on the setting in the properties file.